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A source has reported that Konstanty Hanff of New York is the self-appointed head of an organization known as "Wolna Polska" (Free Poland). Recently, Hanff and his organization registered with the United States Department of Justice under provision of the Foreign Agents Registration Act as an agent of the Polish Government-in-Exile in London, England. (U)

The Polish Government-in-Exile is presently under the leadership of a Mr. Kazimierz Sabbat of London, England, who issued a public statement condemning Hanff and "Wolna Polska" for attempting to use the Polish Government-in-Exile as a shield for his activities. The Polish Government-in-Exile actually has no association with Hanff or his organization and has never authorized him to be their agent in the United States. Mr. Sabbat's comments were published by the Polish-language newspaper "Tydzien Polski" published in London on October 30, 1976. (C)

Dr. Juliusz Szygowski of Evanston, Illinois, who is a diplomatic representative in the United States of the Polish Government-in-Exile, has been instructed to inform the office of the Attorney General in Washington, D.C., that Hanff does not have any authorization to act on behalf

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of the Government-in-Exile or to register as their agent under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. It is possible that Dr. Szygowski has not yet followed these instructions as his attitude towards Mr. Sabbat has not been too friendly lately. Dr. Szygowski has prepared statements for publication in the Polish media in the United States disclaiming on the part of the Government-in-Exile any association with Hanff or his organization. (C)

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